

Breast Cancer Screening (BCS)

SUMMARY OF CHANGES TO HEDIS 2015

- Revised optional exclusion criteria so that two unilateral mastectomies must have service dates 14 or more days apart.
- Added a data element to collect the number of optional exclusions to the Data Elements for Reporting table.

Description

The percentage of women 50–74 years of age who had a mammogram to screen for breast cancer.

Eligible Population

Product lines	Commercial, Medicaid, Medicare (report each product line separately).
Ages	Women 52–74 years as of December 31 of the measurement year.
Continuous enrollment	October 1 two years prior to the measurement year through December 31 of the measurement year.
Allowable gap	<p>No more than one gap in enrollment of up to 45 days for each full calendar year of continuous enrollment (i.e., the measurement year and the year prior to the measurement year). To determine continuous enrollment for a Medicaid beneficiary for whom enrollment is verified monthly, the member may not have more than a 1-month gap in coverage during each full calendar year of continuous enrollment (i.e., the measurement year and the year prior to the measurement year).</p> <p>No gaps in enrollment are allowed from October 1 two years prior to the measurement year through December 31 two years prior to the measurement year.</p>
Anchor date	December 31 of the measurement year.
Benefit	Medical.
Event/diagnosis	None.

Administrative Specification

Denominator	The eligible population.
Numerator	One or more mammograms (<u>Mammography Value Set</u>) any time on or between October 1 two years prior to the measurement year and December 31 of the measurement year.

Exclusion (optional)

Bilateral mastectomy any time during the member's history through December 31 of the measurement year. Any of the following meet criteria for bilateral mastectomy:

- Bilateral mastectomy (Bilateral Mastectomy Value Set).
- Unilateral mastectomy (Unilateral Mastectomy Value Set) **with** a bilateral modifier (Bilateral Modifier Value Set).
- Two unilateral mastectomies (Unilateral Mastectomy Value Set) with service dates 14 days or more apart. For example, if the service date for the first unilateral mastectomy was February 1 of the measurement year, the service date for the second unilateral mastectomy must be on or after February 15.
- Both of the following (on the same or a different date of service):
 - Unilateral mastectomy (Unilateral Mastectomy Value Set) **with** a right-side modifier (Right Modifier Value Set) (same date of service).
 - Unilateral mastectomy (Unilateral Mastectomy Value Set) **with** a left-side modifier (Left Modifier Value Set) (same date of service).

Note

- *This measure evaluates primary screening. Do not count biopsies, breast ultrasounds or MRIs because they are not appropriate methods for primary breast cancer screening.*

Data Elements for Reporting

Organizations that submit HEDIS data to NCQA must provide the following data elements.

Table BCS-1/2/3: Data Elements for Breast Cancer Screening

	Administrative
Measurement year	✓
Data collection methodology (Administrative)	✓
Eligible population	✓
Number of optional exclusions	✓
Numerator events by administrative data	✓
Reported rate	✓
Lower 95% confidence interval	✓
Upper 95% confidence interval	✓